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SUBJ: JORDANIAN PRESS COMMENTS ON VANCE VISIT, PRESIDENT'S
TIME INTERVIEW

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1. SUMMARY. JORDANIAN PRESS HAD CONTINUED EDITORIALY TO DEVELOP
THEMES DISCUSSED REFTEL, I.E., THAT ONUS IS NOW ON U.S. TO
REMOVE OBSTACLES IN WAY OF ME SETTLEMENT, WHILE AT SAME TIME
ISRAEL IS INTENT ON SIDESTEPPING BASIC ISSUES (REFTEL).
END SUMMARY.

2. FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL IN AD-DUSTOUR AUG 1, ENTITLED "WHAT IS
REQUIRED FROM MR. VANCE", TERMED SECRETARY'S VISIT "THE REAL TEST
OF U.S. INTENTIONS ON PEACE." ARTICLE CONTINUES TO ASSERT THAT
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"U.S. REGRET ('ITIZAR) FOR BEGIN'S INTRANSIGENCE CANNOT BENEFIT
IT AND IS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO THE ARABS...BEGIN'S INFLEXIBLE
ATTITUDES CANNOT BE CONSIDERED A SURPRISE FOR PRESIDENT CARTER
AND DO NOT CONSTITUTE A NEW ELEMENT IN THE ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE."
EDITORIAL FURTHER STATES THAT MODERATE ARAB LEADERS SUCH AS KING
HUSSEIN HAVE DECLARED THAT THEY WILL REFUSE TO DISCUSS BEGIN'S
PLAN IF IT EXCLUDES PALESTINIANS AND WEST BANK FROM SERIOUS

DISCUSSION. "THEREFORE, WHAT IS REQUIRED FROM MR. VANCE IS NOT TO TRY TO SELL THE ARABS BEGIN'S PLAN, OR FIND A MIDDLE SOLUTION BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES., BUT RATHER TO EXPLAIN WHERE HIS COUNTRY STANDS ON THE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE ARABS AND ISRAEL. THE CLAIM THAT THE U.S. IS PURELY A NEUTRAL MEDIATOR, AND THAT IT CANNOT PRESSURE ISRAEL, IS REJECTED."

3. AR-RAYY FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL AUG 2 INSISTS THAT ARABS WILL GO TO GENEVA ONLY IF GUARANTEE EXISTS THAT PROCEEDINGS THERE WILL RESULT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF UNSC RESOLUTIONS, "INSTEAD OF KEEPING THEM IN THE DIPLOMATS' FILES." EDITORIAL IS PESSIMISTIC, CLAIMING THAT MAIN OBSTACLE TO PEACE IS "AMERICAN LENIENCY AND GENEROSITY TOWARD ISRAEL."

4. ENGLISH-LANGUAGE JORDAN TIMES AUG 2 FRONT-PAGES REUTERS-DATELINED ARTICLE QUOTING OFFICIAL SOURCES AS CLAIMING THAT ISRAEL WILL SEEK TO STEER CLEAR OF DISCUSSING FUNDAMENTAL ASPECTS OF ME CONFLICT WHEN SECRETARY VISITS TEL AVIV.

5. AD-DUSTOUR AUG 2 TAKES PRESIDENT CARTER TO TASK IN FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL DENOUNCING PRESIDENT'S DECLARATION IN TIME MAGAZINE INTERVIEW TO EFFECT THAT PLO SHOULD RECOGNIZE ISRAEL BEFORE U.S. CAN BEGIN TALKS WITH PALESTINIAN LEADERS. "PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL IS A MATTER OF GREAT INJUSTICE, AND ONE WHICH CONTRADICTS HUMAN PRINCIPLE...ISRAEL SHOULD FIRST ADMIT THE EXISTENCE OF THE PALESTINIANS AND THEIR RIGHT TO THEIR OWN COUNTRY, THEREBY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REDEEMING ITS OWN CRIME." (BY CONTRAST, HOWEVER, IN PRIVATE, SOME JORDANIAN CONTACTS HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY PRESIDENT'S APPARENT OPENING TOWARDS PLO.)
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